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IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A pivoting arrangement for effecting pivotal movement of a marine propulsion device adapted to be pivotally supported about a pivot axis on an associated watercraft comprising a cylinder assembly defining a cylinder bore and adapted to be pivotally connected to one of the watercraft and the marine propulsion device, a piston supported for reciprocation within said cylinder bore, a piston rod affixed to said piston for operation thereby and extending externally of said cylinder assembly and adapted to be pivotally connected to the other of the watercraft and the marine propulsion device, at least one of said pivotal connections being formed by a pair of transversely extending cylindrical portions integrally formed by the associated component being pivotally connected said cylinder assembly received in bearing portions carried by the associated watercraft.
2. (Canceled)
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4. (Amended) A pivoting arrangement as set forth in claim 3 1 wherein the integral projections of the cylinder body are each received in bearing openings formed in side plates of a clamping bracket adapted to be affixed to the watercraft.
5. (Original) A pivoting arrangement as set forth in claim 4 wherein the bearing openings each define complementary cylindrical surfaces of a diameter corresponding to that of the integral projections.
6. (Original) A pivoting arrangement as set forth in claim 5 wherein at least one of the bearing openings is integrally formed by the corresponding clamping side plate.
7. (Original) A pivoting arrangement as set forth in claim 6 wherein the other bearing openings is formed by a first portion integrally formed by the other corresponding clamping side plate and by a second portion detachably connected to the other corresponding clamping side plate.